

Sandy newsletter

JUNE 26, 2008



Volunteers on Sandy Pride Day work hard on grave markers at the Sandy Cemetery.



Hundreds of Sandy residents paint the fence on Newcastle Drive.



Bell Canyon Tot Lot – Fuller Eagle Project: The Bell Canyon Tot Lot received new bark and mulch.



Rock Hampton Hidden Valley Park: Hidden Valley Park received new trees during Sandy Pride Day.

Sandy Pride a Huge Success

The 24th Annual Sandy Pride Day took place on May 17 with hundreds of volunteers showing pride in their community and neighborhoods. The Sandy Exchange Club sponsors Sandy Pride Day and volunteered an estimated 533 hours in planning the event. Numerous projects taking place throughout the city resulted in approximately 1,200 volunteers pitching in to help clean, plant and maintain parks, open spaces and residences.

Sandy Pride bags are delivered every May to homes throughout Sandy. This year, over 40,000 were delivered by local volunteers including Exchange Club members, city staff and the Boy Scouts. These bags can be used by residents to help clean up their homes, inside or out.

Projects throughout the city ranged in size and cost. Eight homes in neighborhoods around Sandy were accepted through a nominating process to receive special care. Volunteers from Home Depot, Wal-Mart, Zion's Bank and the Sandy Exchange Club took on the responsibility of yard cleaning and maintenance, painting and planting for these homes. A total of eight Eagle Scout projects were completed including planting trees at the senior center and painting the iron fence at the amphitheater. Hundreds of volunteers participated in painting the fence along Newcastle Drive. Volunteers throughout the city not only help keep pride in the community

strong but have saved the city approximately \$40,000 in labor costs in planting trees and replacing bark and mulch at local parks.

Sandy Pride activities took place through the month of May with participation from the South Towne Center, local schools and the annual Break-A-Thon, sponsored by Personal Mastery Martial Arts. The South Towne Center began early in May accepting donations to fill 200 backpacks with school supplies that would benefit the Sandy Boys & Girls Club. Over 100 elementary students provided art projects showing how they can keep their community beautiful or how they would like their city and country to look. The Break-a-Thon was successful in raising more than \$12,000 in donations to help "Break the Chain" of child abuse across the United States. Seven checks for \$1,000 each were awarded to local charities.

"This has been the most exciting year for the Sandy Pride program," said Mike Coulam, this year's Sandy Pride Chair and Director of Community Development for Sandy. "Just being able to drive around to the different projects and see the level of participation is exciting. But when you see how happy the volunteers are and how they involved their families and neighbors, I got a little emotional. I am proud to have been a part of this project since its inception 24 years ago."

The National Exchange Club is recognizing the Sandy Club with the National Outstanding Service Project Award for 2008.

Budget Outline for Fiscal Year 2009

The budget for Sandy City for fiscal year (FY) 2009 was officially adopted by the City Council. The following is a summary of the City Council's goals and specific budget items for achieving these goals.

Goals for FY 2009:

Goal: Maintain and improve basic core municipal services. *Budget Item:* This includes the purchase of six defibrillators/monitors for the fire department.

Goal: Maintain the integrity of residential neighborhoods and preserve property values. *Budget Item:* Funds from the Re-Development Agency (RDA) will be used to purchase and renovate problem properties throughout Sandy. This is a revolving fund to be replenished when renovated homes are sold.

Goal: Preserve and improve public infrastructure and transportation systems. *Budget Item:* The city is proposing \$3.7 million for improvements to roads and sidewalks on Monroe Street and the intersections of 9000 South and 700 East. Future projects include 1300 East and the 114th South interchange. There is \$1 million budgeted to replace aging water lines throughout Sandy.

Goal: Preserve and expand additional retail and clean commercial businesses.

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